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HONGKONG AGENCY.

INTEREST ALLOWED

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CHR. DE GUIGNÉ,

Manager.

Offices in Hongkong: Bank Buildings, Queen's Road.

Hongkong, May 14, 1875.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, 5,000,000 Dollars. RESERVE FUND, 100,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

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Manager.

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HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED

ON Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

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Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

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JAMES GREIG,

Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road East.

Hongkong, February 17, 1876.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND declared for the half-year ending on 31st December last, at the rate of Six per cent. per annum, say \$3.75 per paid-up Share of \$125, is payable on and after FRIDAY, the 18th Instant, at the Offices of the Corporation, where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By Order of the Board of Directors, JAMES GREIG, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, February 17, 1876.

Intimations.

NOTICE.

MAN'S character should be judged from what it has been before, and by that means elegance or worthlessness can be discerned. A story should be judged by its true or false bearings, so that right and wrong may be distinguished. These remarks apply to the case in which Messrs Tsang Shun Yee and Woo Lin Tak were, on the 27th day of the 10th moon last year (24th November 1875), slandered by Lai Ming Chun.

Messrs Tsang Shun Yee and Woo Lin Tak have been residing for more than ten years in Hongkong and have always been employed in representing Nam Pak Hong in their transactions with foreigners. While their character stands high, their conduct is excellent, and they have for a long time been respected by both Chinese and foreigners. They have not only borne a name that is approaching to anything improper, but they have not in the course of all their actions done anything objectionable. Unexpectedly, however, slander came upon them unwares, and of course, when virtue stands high, reproach will come. They were therefore falsely charged by Lai Ming Chun's letter, which was void of all truth, with selling people for emigration abroad. They are indeed labouring under a false imputation from which it is now difficult for them to clear themselves. Our office, therefore, in punishing Lai Ming Chun for having done what he ought not to have done, orders him—and he consents—to pay the sum of \$600, the amount of legal expenses; he has also by way of punishment to pay \$25 into the Poor-Box for the benefit of the Hongkong Poor. He is further punished by having to pay the expenses of advertising in the Chinese and foreign newspapers in the Colony, three of each, for the period of one month, a notice which will bring before the public his sin in this defamation. Reparations like these will, perhaps, allay in a measure the indignation which Messrs Tsang and Woo feel.

When a man finds fault with others he ought in the first instance to enquire whether he himself is unblemished. Now Lai Ming Chun, as a man, is not one who is numbered among the gentry, nor is his name pronounced by the lips of the illustrious. Yet he falsely dilates in slanderous language and spreads diffusely by word of mouth stories to the detriment and pollution of (the good name of) Messrs Tsang and Woo. It was right therefore that Messrs Tsang and Woo sought to sue him in the Courts of Justice, and he was on the eve of being punished by the utmost penalty of the law. Fortunately, however, Messrs Tsang and Woo's magnanimity is expansive as the sea and as capacious as the ocean, and they deal with people liberally; with that end in view, they therefore prefer, instead of punishing him, as he so rightly deserves, to forgive him of the enormous crime of which he has been guilty. Having ceased litigation now, they have no resentment against any one, and by so doing, they cherish the friendly tie that exists amongst the Chinese clans. They have also shown that in doing this they are inflicting a lenient punishment for the sake of a great warning. They are indeed fully sustaining the benevolent principles of the great men, and for this act of theirs, may the happiness (or good fortune) of Messrs Tsang and Woo never grow less.

THE UNIVERSAL CIRCULATING HERALD (TSUN WAN YAT FO). Hongkong, February 10, 1876. mel9

NOTICE IN EXPLANATION OF A SLANDER.

THE principles of right or wrong will reveal themselves in course of time, and this saying is clearly set forth in the History of China. When undue reliance is placed on statements by word of mouth, a good argument is always wanting, and this is what the Book of Changes has always guarded people against. If a man is not guilty of anything seriously wrong, it is likely that he will submit himself to be killed.

With regard to Lai Ming Chun, he is indeed a bare-faced fellow, and one who has no regard for anything. On the 27th day of the 10th Moon last year (24th November 1875), he slandered Messrs Tsangshun Yee and Woo Lin Tak by false- ly accusing them of being engaged in the nefarious trade of selling people for the purposes of emigration, and that in their transactions they were in fact kidnappers. And finally, he recorded the name in the Tsun Wan Yat Fo, (The Universal Circulating Herald), so that Messrs Tsang and Woo had thought of suing him before the local authorities, so that he might be punished for libelling people's character. Fortunately for him, however, Lai Ming Chun learnt in time of his own wrong and is now he has voluntarily consented to pay the penalty of bearing this legal expense in the sum of \$600, and to pay also (into the poor box) \$25, for the relief of the Hongkong poor, also, from his own funds, to pay the costs of inserting in the Chinese and foreign newspapers, three of each, for the period of one month, an article, in order to redeem himself from what he has been guilty of. But this, nevertheless, would not actually be sufficient to cover the enormity of his sin. The reason why Messrs Tsang and Woo condescended to these terms was because they had been advised by intimate friends, who urged that, inasmuch as both parties were Chinese, how could they, Messrs Tsang and Woo, have the heart to see him (Lai Ming Chun) put in a goal of the foreigners? So

that it would be far better that they should forgive him, but inflict a small penalty by way of a small warning.

It so happened, luckily, that Messrs Tsang and Woo's magnanimity proved to be as expansive as the sea and as capacious as the ocean, and it was thus that the matter was put an end to. This is sufficient to show that Messrs Tsang and Shun are peaceful and quiet men, and that they have done a very good act. But Lai Ming Chun is a man who is very much conceited (lit. the night pedestrian who thinks a great deal of himself), and one who falsely dilates in satire and raillery. He began life in a very mean position, and is not of a respectable family (lit. the descendant of the pure and white). While in a mean position, he, moreover, offends his superiors. Therefore it would not be arbitrary were he to be banished beyond the frontiers, nor would it be too much were he to be put to the sword (lit. under the axe). Now that he is indeed in so small a sum, it is indeed his good fortune that he has escaped greater consequences.

ONE WHO UPHOLDS JUSTICE.

Hongkong, 19th Feb., 1876. mel9

This has reference to a Chinese story, which, in its moral, is very similar to the Frog and Bull story in Aesop's Fables.—Translator.

THE CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Fifth Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders of the above Company, will be held at the Head Office, Victoria, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, the 24th March, 1876, at 3 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1875. The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be closed from the 11th to the 24th March, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board, OLYPHANT & Co., General Agents.

Hongkong, March 6, 1876. mel24

NAVAL CONTRACT 1876-7.

SEALED TENDERS, in duplicate, will be received by the Undersigned, until Noon on SATURDAY, the 11th March, 1876, from Persons desirous of Supplying the following Articles for the use of H. M. Navy for the Year 1876-7, viz. — FRESH BEEF, TEA, VEGETABLES, RAISINS, RICE, WATER, SUGAR, SOFT BREAD, BISCUIT.

Printed Forms of Tender, and further particulars, can be obtained at the Naval Storekeeper's Office.

The right to reject the lowest or any tender is reserved.

JOHN BRENNER, Storekeeper.

H. M. Victualling Yard, Hongkong, February 28, 1876. mel1

ORIENTAL TELEGRAM AGENCY.

FROM this date all Messages for Europe will be forwarded at the following rate:—

\$4 For the First Word. \$2 For each Extra Word.

Registration free, if by letter. If by wire, \$2 only would be charged.

GEO. HOLMES.

2, Peddar's Hill, Hongkong, March 6, 1876. mel13

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

DIVIDEND Warrants for the Dividend to Dec. 31/75, at the rate of \$10 per Share, can be obtained at the Office on or after 28th February.

By Order, D. GILLIES, Secretary.

No. 2, Club Chambers, Hongkong, February 28, 1876. apl

NOTICES OF FIRMS.

NOTICE.

I have this day authorized Mr J. Y. V. SHAW to sign my name per procreation.

A. MACG. HEATON.

Hongkong, January 1, 1876.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned have entered into Co-partnership from the First day of January, 1876, in the Business of Shipbrokers at this Port, under the style of MORRIS & RAY.

A. G. MORRIS.

E. C. RAY.

Bank Buildings, Hongkong, February 3, 1876.

NOTICE.

WE have established branches of our Firm at Hap Hong and Hanoi. Mr E. CORDELL is authorized to sign by procreation in Tongkin.

LANDSTEIN & Co., Hongkong, December 31, 1875.

Auctions.

GENERAL WEEKLY SALE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Sale Room, Prays, on

FRIDAY,

the 10th March, 1876, at Noon, — An Assortment of Framed Engravings; Cash Boxes; Glass, Sore-top Inkstands; Shell Boxes, Watch Glasses, Leather Purse, Butcher's Knives, Sewing Needles, Electro-plated Ware, Hammers, Pipes, Trays, &c.

Also, 1 case Mirrors. 1 Large Iron Safe. Fire-proof Iron Safes, 24 to 36 inches. 2 cases Turkey Sponges. 10 cases Paulina's Claret. 10 Tubs Iron Wire, No. 11 to 16. &c., &c., &c.

A Cottage PIANO.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars, weighed at 7.1.7. The Lot or Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

Hongkong, March 7, 1876. mel10

For Sale.

CLEARANCE SALE.

SAYLE & Co. will offer, on and after TUESDAY Next, the 18th Instant, the remainder of their Winter Stock at Greatly Reduced Prices, consisting of:—

Winter Costumes and Polonaises.

Ladies' Jackets and Mantillas.

Fancy Dress materials of all kinds.

Wool Plaids and Flannels.

Silks and Poplins.

Wool Shawls and Cloaks.

Trimmed and Untrimmed Hats and Bonnets.

Fancy Wool Goods.

Lace and Linen Seta.

Scarves and Sashes.

Boys' Suits.

Children's Dresses.

&c., &c., &c.

VICTORIA EXCHANGE,

Queen's Road & Stanley Street.

FOR SALE.

THE UNDERMENTIONED LAND AND BUILDINGS.

AT HONGKONG.—

INLAND LOT 82.—The well-known House and Offices lately occupied by Messrs A. Heard & Co., adjoining the Cathedral Compound.

The Ground below the masonry retaining wall of the above, abutting on the Queen's Road.

Annual Crown rent, \$890.43.

MARINE LOT 111, WASULAH.—First-class and extensive Godown, \$324.

INLAND LOT 691.—Situated on the Bonham Road and one of the finest sites for Villa residences in the Colony.

Annual Crown rent, \$75.78.

FARM LOT 17, POKEPOOLUM, adjoining Messrs Butterfield & Swire's premises.

Annual Crown rent, \$28.

AT KOWLOONG.—

MARINE LOT 4.—With a frontage of 100 feet on the Prays, and with an area of 50,000 feet.

Reduced Annual Crown rent, \$10.

AT YOKOHAMA.—

Lots No. 6 and No. 27 in the Foreign Settlement.

No. 6 is situated on the Bund, and comprises an eight-roomed Dwelling House, detached, with Garden all round, Offices, Godowns, Servants' Quarters and Outhouses, Area 1,084 Tanbos of 36 square feet.

Annual Ground rent, \$283.79.

No. 27 is separated from No. 6 by Water Street and comprises large Tea Firing and other Godowns, Floss Silk Press, Commodore's Quarters, Stabling and Fire Engine House. Area, 554 Tanbos.

Ground rent, \$154.97 per annum.

Applications for purchase, or further information, to be made to

J. WHITTALL, T. G. LINSTEAD,

Trustees A. Heard & Co.'s Estate, 43, Queen's Road, Hongkong.

Hongkong, February 1, 1876.

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.

The Steamship "YESSO,"

Captain FURCHARD, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 12th Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, March 8, 1876. mel2

FOR SAN FRANCISCO (DIRECT).

The Steamship "CROCUS,"

Capt Jor, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 15th Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, March 1, 1876. mel3

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA.

(Taking Cargo at through rates to HIOGO & NAGASAKI.)

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s S. S. "BOMBAY,"

will leave for the above place shortly after the arrival of the Geelong with the next English Mail.

A. McIVER, Superintendent.

Hongkong, March 3, 1876.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s S. S. "GEELONG,"

will leave for the above place about 24 hours after her arrival with the next English Mail.

A. McIVER, Superintendent.

Hongkong, March 3, 1876.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The A 1 British Clipper Ship "SYDENHAM,"

FRANK BRISTOW, Master, will load for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, March 4, 1876.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The A-1 British Clipper-ship "GRYFE,"

THOS. ROBERTS, Master, will load for the above Port, and will have immediate despatch.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, February 1, 1876.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The A-1 American Ship "LATILEY RICH,"

RAY R. LEWIS, Master, will load for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, February 1, 1876.

FOR PORTLAND (OREGON.)

The A-1 American Ship "SAMUEL G. REED,"

WHITE, Master, will load for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, February 1, 1876.

FOR NEW YORK.

The A-1 American Ship "HAZE,"

WILKINSON, Master, will load here and at Whampoa, and will have quick despatch as above.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, February 1, 1876.

Intimations.

In the Goods of CAPTAIN LAWRENCE YOUNG, Deceased.

ALL Persons having any CLAIMS against the above Estate are requested to send in Particulars of the same to the Undersigned on or before the 22nd day of April, 1876.

And all Persons being indebted to the said Estate are requested to Pay to the Undersigned their several Debts without delay.

STEPHENS & HOLMES,
Solicitors for the Executors,
2, Club Chambers,
Hongkong, February 22, 1876. ap22

To-day's Advertisements.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.
The Company's Steamship "STENTOR" will be despatched TO-MORROW, the 10th Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents,
Hongkong, March 9, 1876. mc10

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANÇAIS.
The Company's Steamship "MENZAHEH" will be despatched for YOKOHAMA on SATURDAY, the 11th Inst., at 8 a.m.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Acting Agent,
Hongkong, March 9, 1876. mc11

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANÇAIS.
The Company's Steamship "HOOGLY" will be despatched for SHANGHAI on SATURDAY, the 11th Inst., at 10 a.m.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Acting Agent,
Hongkong, March 9, 1876. mc11

FOR SHANGHAI.
(Taking through Cargo for CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.)
The Steamship "GLENLEARN," Capt. AULD, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 11th Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents S. S. Glenearn,
Hongkong, March 9, 1876. mc11

FOR COOKTOWN AND SYDNEY.
(Taking through Cargo for MELBOURNE.)
The Eastern and Australian Mail Steam Co.'s Steamer "BRISBANE," Capt. BALFOUR, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY Next, the 14th Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents,
Hongkong, March 9, 1876. mc14

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.
The Steamship "PENGUIN," Captain CONNELL, will leave for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 18th Instant, at 3 p.m.

Despatches will close at 2.30 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents,
Hongkong, March 9, 1876. mc18

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.
The Steamship "ARRATOUN APOAR," Capt. McAVISH, will leave for the above Ports on SATURDAY Next, the 18th Instant, at 8 p.m.

Despatches will close at 2.30 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Agents,
Hongkong, March 9, 1876. mc18

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.
The A 1 American Ship "MARY WHITRIDGE," CUTLER, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick dispatch.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co., Agents,
Hongkong, March 9, 1876. ap20

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
S. S. HOOGLY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S. "Euphrate" from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained from Friday, the 10th Instant, at 10 o'clock a.m.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees, before 4 p.m. To-day, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

Goods remaining unclaimed after THURSDAY, the 16th March, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Acting Agent,
Hongkong, March 9, 1876. mc16

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S. "Venice" from Calcutta, are hereby informed that owing to the delay in taking delivery, all Cargo now on board will be landed by the Undersigned at their Godowns at East Point, whence delivery may be obtained.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Hongkong, March 9, 1876.

To-day's Advertisements.

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

ROYAL ENGLISH OPERA CONCERT COMPANY.
FRIDAY, March 10.
LAST PERFORMANCE OF THE COMPANY.
UNDER THE DISTINGUISHED PATRONAGE OF COLONEL DICKINS AND THE OFFICERS OF THE 28th REGIMENT.
By kind permission the SPLENDID BAND OF THE REGIMENT Will assist during the Evening.

TO-MORROW Evening, March 10.
ENTIRE CHANGE OF PROGRAMME, CONSISTING OF:
NEW SELECTIONS FROM THE GRAND DUOESSES.
MARITANA, AD LA FILLE DE MADAME ANGOIT.
NEW AND POPULAR BALLADS.
NEW SONGS AND DANCES.
NEW GRAND CHORUSES.
NEW SKETCHES, &c., &c.
REMEMBER, LAST NIGHT.
As the Company sail for Australia on Saturday, at Noon.
REDUCTION IN PRICE.
The Dress Circle, \$2.
Stalls and Back Seats, 1.
Chairs ordered for 11.30.
Doors open at 8 past 8, commence at 9.
Box Office at City Hall.
M. L. RAPHAEL, Manager.
Hongkong, March 9, 1876. mc11

PUBLIC AUCTION.
LAND AND PROPERTY.
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

TUESDAY, the 21st March, 1876, at Noon, on the Premises—
All that piece or parcel of GROUND, registered in the Land Office as Section B of Inland Lot No. 584, and known as "Overbeck Court," situated in the rear of No. 9 Police Station, Caine Road.
Annual Crown Rent, \$9.72.
TERMS OF SALE.—One-half of the purchase money to be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the balance on completion of the Deed of Transfer, the expenses of which to be paid by the purchaser.
The Property to be at Purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.
For further particulars, apply to LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Hongkong, March 9, 1876. mc21

TO LET.
With Possession on the 1st April.
THE Premises in Queen's Road Central, known as the "London Inn."
Apply to LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Hongkong, March 9, 1876.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.
March 8, Marion, Amer. schooner, 868, R. Howes, Bangkok Jan. 10, Rice.—OLYMPHANT & Co.
March 8, Wodan, German barque, 430, A. W. Meyer, Bangkok Feb. 4, Rice.—Wm. Postau & Co.
March 8, Stentor, British steamer, 1307, E. B. Dunning, Shanghai Mar. 3, Amoy 7, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
March 9, Hoogly, French steamer, 1803, Mortemard, Marseilles Jan. 30, Naples Feb. 2, Port Said 6, Suez, Aden 12, Galle 23, Singapore Mar. 1, Saigon 5, Mails and General.—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
March 9, Washi, British steamer, 265, Hunter, Haiphong, General.—LANDSTEIN & Co.
March 9, Annie Gray, British ship, 727, Moore, Saigon Feb. 15, Rice.—ROZANO & Co.
March 9, Dora, Span. brig, 320, Ytuarte, Sual, Mar. 4, General.—H. KLEN.
DEPARTURES.
Mar. 8, Tohing Tsing, for a cruise.
8, Haydamack, for a cruise.
9, Hankow, for Shanghai.
9, Peiho, for Marseilles, &c.
9, Danube, for Bangkok.

CLEARED.
Carisbrooke, for Amoy.
Petroch, for Shanghai.
Stentor, for London.
Altona, for Saigon.
Griffe, for San Francisco.

PASSENGERS.
ARRIVED.—For Hoogly, for Hongkong: from Marseilles, Mr and Mrs Manson, Messrs Duncan Smith, Hutchinson and Indian servant, Balfour, two Thomas, and Andrews, Mrs Redwood, three children and European servant; from Saigon, Messrs C. Pierre and Bailly, Sister Alois, and five Chinese. For Shanghai: from Marseilles, Mrs Bradfield and daughter, Miss Wilson, Messrs Browne, Fourke, James, and Newbury, Mme. Dreyer and amah. For Yokohama: from Marseilles, Messrs de Rosa, Nicolas, Lucas, Comuro, Eto and Yakin; from Galle, Mr Yenai.
Per Stentor, from Shanghai, Mrs Johnston and child, Mrs Taylor and two children, Capt. and Mrs Ulrich and family, 842 Chinese, 1 disengaged seaman and 2 deck.
Per Washi, Messrs Pichou and Estarico, and 25 Chinese.
DEPARTED.—Per Peiho, for Saigon, Sister St. Olympe, Mr Th. Sharp, and 1 Chinese. For Singapore, Mr R. Holman and 3 Chinese. For Ismailia, Rev. R. J. Flanagan. For Naples, Mr G. O. Daisbach. For Marseilles, Miss Anna Vigliani, Messrs Rodati and Kleiman.
Per Danube, 400 Chinese.
To DEPART.—Per Stentor, Rev. Mr and Mrs Naeken, and family.

SHIPPING REPORTS.
The American schooner Marion reports: had light winds down the Gulf, then had a heavy blow, afterwards light N.E. winds and calms to port.
The German barque Wodan reports: had light winds and calms.

SHIPPING REPORTS.
The M. M. steamer Hoogly reports: fine weather till nearing Hongkong, then experienced thick weather.
The British steamer Washi reports: thick weather till reaching the Mandarin's Cap Rock, thence to port strong N.E. monsoon and heavy head sea.
The British barque Annie Gray reports: first part light winds and fine weather, the latter part heavy weather.

CARGO.
Per Peiho, for Continent, 898 bales Silk, 9 bales Waste, 11 cases Silk Piece Goods, 57 cases Sundries. For London, 470 bales Silk, 1,405 chests Tea, 184 half-chests Tea, 1,870 boxes Tea, 28 cases Pongee Silk, 11 cases Silk Piece Goods, 12 cases Sundries, 1 case (1,151.37 oz. Gold) Trésure.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS WILL CLOSE.—
For AMOY & SHANGHAI.—
Per PATROCLUS, at 9.30 a.m. To-morrow, the 10th Instant, instead of as previously notified.
For SINGAPORE, SUEZ & LONDON.—
Per STENTOR, at 11.30 a.m. To-morrow, the 10th Inst.
For BANGKOK.—
Per TAUNTON, at 3.30 p.m. To-morrow, the 10th Inst.
For YOKOHAMA.—
Per French Mail Packet MENZALEH, at 7.30 a.m. on Saturday, 11th Inst.
For SHANGHAI.—
Per French Mail Packet HOOGLY, at 9 a.m. on Saturday, the 11th Inst. Late Letters from 9.10 to 9.30 a.m.
For SHANGHAI.—
Per GLENLEARN, at 11.30 a.m. on Saturday, the 11th Instant.
For SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA.—
Per Indian Mail Packet PENGUIN, at 2.30 p.m. on Saturday, the 18th Inst.
For SINGAPORE AND PENANG.—
Per BENLEDI, at 2.30 p.m. on Saturday, the 11th Inst.
For SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOOW.—
Per YESSO, at 5 p.m. on Saturday, the 11th Inst.
For SINGAPORE, SOMERSET, COOKTOWN, OLEVAND BAY, BOWEN, ROCKHAMPTON, KEPPEL BAY, BRISBANE, SYDNEY, TASMANIA AND MELBOURNE.—
Per BRISBANE, at 11.30 a.m. on Tuesday, the 14th Instant, instead of as previously notified.
For SAN FRANCISCO.—
Per GROCUS, at 11.30 a.m. on Wednesday, the 15th Inst.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.
The United States Mail Packet GREAT REPUBLIC, will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 15th Instant, at 3 p.m. with the Mails.
For Yokohama, San Francisco, the United States and the United Kingdom.
The Post Office will be open for the reception of Ordinary Letters, Books, Newspapers, &c., until 3.30 p.m.
Letters can be posted on board the Packet from 2.30 p.m. to 2.50 p.m. on payment of a Late Fee of 12 cents in addition to the Postage.
The prepayment of the Postage to all the above places by this route is compulsory. Correspondence insufficiently prepaid will be forwarded by the English Packets.
Correspondence addressed to Yokohama, and the United States, must be superscribed per Great Republic, and that addressed to the United Kingdom, must be superscribed "via San Francisco."

ALFRED LISTER, Postmaster General.
General Post Office, Hongkong, March 8, 1876. mc15

MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET.—
The English Packet Packet LOMBARDY, will be despatched with the Mails for Europe, &c., on THURSDAY, the 16th Instant.
The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c.:—
Wednesday, 15th Instant.
5 p.m., Money Order Office closes.
6 p.m., Post Office closes except the Night Box, which remains open all night.
Thursday, 16th Instant.
7 a.m., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.
10 a.m., Post Office closes except for Late Letters. Registry of Letters ceases.
10.15 a.m., Letters may be posted on payment of a Late Fee of 18 cents extra Postage until
11 a.m., when the Post Office Closes entirely.
11.30 a.m., Letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom via Brindisi or to Singapore may be posted on board the Packet on payment of a Late Fee of 48 cents extra postage.
11.50 a.m., Posting on Board ceases.

ALFRED LISTER, Postmaster General.
General Post Office, Hongkong, March 8, 1876. mc16

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.—
The French Packet Packet TIGRE, will be despatched on THURSDAY the 16th Instant, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom via Marseilles; to Europe, Saigon, Singapore, Galle, Australia, New Zealand, Aden, Suez, and Alexandria.
The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c.:—
Wednesday, 15th Inst.
5 p.m., Money Order Office closes. Post Office closes except the Night Box, which remains open all night.
Thursday, 16th Inst.
7 a.m., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.
10 a.m., Registry of Letters ceases.
11 a.m., Post Office closes except for Late Letters.
11.10 a.m., Letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom or to Singapore may be posted on payment of a Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage until
11.30 a.m., when the Post Office Closes entirely.

ALFRED LISTER, Postmaster General.
General Post Office, Hongkong, March 8, 1876. mc16

General Memoranda.

SATURDAY, March 11:—
8 a.m.—Menzaheh leaves for Yokohama.
10 p.m.—Hoogly leaves for Shanghai.
Noon.—Glenearn leaves for Shanghai.
Noon.—Tenders for Naval Contracts received by the Storekeeper.
Transfer Books of The Chinese Insurance Company, Limited, closed from this date to 24th March, inclusive.

SUNDAY, March 12:—
Daylight.—Yesso leaves for Swatow, Amoy and Foochow.
Goods per Hankow undelivered after this date subject to rent.
TUESDAY, March 14:—
Noon.—Brisbane leaves for Cooktown and Sydney.
WEDNESDAY, March 15:—
Noon.—Crocus leaves for San Francisco (Aden).
3 p.m.—American Mail leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.
Goods per Glenearn undelivered after this date subject to rent.

THURSDAY, March 16:—
Noon.—English Mail leaves for Ports of Call in Europe.
Goods per Petroch undelivered after this date subject to rent.
Goods per Hoogly undelivered after Noon, subject to rent and landing charges.
SATURDAY, March 18:—
3 p.m.—Penguin leaves for Singapore, Penang and Calcutta.
3 p.m.—Arctoon leaves for Singapore, Penang and Calcutta.

TUESDAY, March 21:—
Noon.—Sale of "Overbeck Court."
FRIDAY, March 24:—
8 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of The Chinese Insurance Co., Limited.
SATURDAY, April 1:—
8 p.m.—Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s Steamer Belgic leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.
Warrants against unclaimed Dividends, Bonus or Interests on Victoria Fire Insurance Co., to be presented before this date.

SATURDAY, April 22:—
Claims against the Estate of Captain Lawrence Young, deceased, must be sent in on or before this date.
FRIDAY, June 30:—
Claims against the Estate of Diederich Heimich, Querino Antonio Gutierrez, Martin Carroll, Dora Howard, and Henry Roberts, deceased, must be proved on or before this date.

MONDAY, July 31:—
Claims against the Estates of Gustav Töbler, Edward Parker, Edward Richard Handley, Kwong Tham, Lam Kok Cheong, Lee Ah Yoh, Leung See Fan, Man Chan, and a Chinaman, name unknown, No. 11, deceased, must be proved on or before this date.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.
Noon.—Stentor leaves for London.
10 a.m.—Delivery of Goods per Hoogly may be obtained from M. M. Co.'s Godowns.

Auctions.
Noon.—General Weekly Sale by Messrs Lane, Crawford & Co.

Amusements.
9 p.m.—Concert at City Hall.

TO ADVERTISERS.

It is requested that all advertisements be sent, when practicable, by 4 p.m., to allow of the early issue of the paper.

The publication of this issue commenced at 7.05 p.m.

BIRTHS.

On the 20th Jan., at Amwell House, Huddesdon, the Wife of Edmund Descoe, of a Daughter.

On the 19th Jan., at Hamburg, the Wife of F. Sander, of a Son.

MARRIAGES.

On the 20th Jan., at St. Cross, Winchester, by the Rev. Gordon Crowdy, M.A., William Maunell Reeves, youngest son of the late William Maunell Reeves, of Vintersberg, county Cork, and Burman, county Clare, to Letitia, second daughter of General Thomas Armstrong Drought, of Hill House, Winchester.

On the 21st Jan., at Bow Parish Church, by the Rev. G. T. Driffield, Andrew Shewan, master ship Norman Court, to Agnes, younger daughter of Thomas Barne, Arbroath.

THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, MARCH 9, 1876.

ALTHOUGH it was tolerably well understood out here that the German demands in the case of the Anna would be pressed to their ultimate conclusions, it is nevertheless satisfactory to read in the latest Home Papers the semi-official assurance on that head. The policy of all European powers in China, excepting Russia, has of late been of such a namby-pamby description that a return on the part of any one of them, to the only true course in dealing with Chinese matters is a matter of congratulation. Fortunately also the case in question is devoid of those embarrassing doubts which so often interfere to render foreign diplomatists unduly lenient. There is no allegation of conspiracy to share the proceeds of, or to ignore, the piracy complained of on the part of the higher authorities. The whole question lies in a nutshell. A piracy had been committed on a German vessel, and in accordance with the treaty between Germany and China, the local officials were bound to do their utmost to arrest the pirates and recover the stolen goods. The Viceroy, if not over-zealous, did at least all he could fairly be asked to do. But his subordinates at the place suspected of harboring the rascals flatly refused to do anything whatever to aid justice. As we have before pointed

out, a cannonade of the village, after due notice, would have probably settled the matter in double-quick time. The German Naval officer conducting the negotiations did not, however, see fit to take upon himself this responsibility. The matter has accordingly been referred to Peking, and will, we imagine, shortly make some stir in that delay-loving city. German officials generally carry out their instructions very literally, and China will probably discover to her cost that Prince Bismarck's Government has certain essential points of difference from that piloted by Messrs Gladstone or Disraeli. Germany is not likely to insist upon unfair terms, but she is likely to insist upon her pound-of-flesh in a way that will somewhat astonish the dilatory gentlemen of the metropolitan Yambas. It is indeed highly probable that the discussion now pending at Peking on this subject will lead to a marked change in the position of our own representative at that capital. The Chinese are at this moment singularly amenable to definite threats; and if, as we learn on good authority will be the case, all the usual native evasions will be cut short with a peremptory choice between the amplest satisfaction and immediate war, a respect for German influence will spring up that will gravely compromise our own position as the leading power in China.

In thus writing we disclaim in the most emphatic manner any suspicion of irritation or undue envy at such a result. Our own Government has so persistently lowered British prestige in Chinese eyes that any demands we may make—no matter how just they may be—are now-a-days simply matters for "negotiation." If Germany essays to fill the part heretofore played by ourselves, who can blame her? But our frank recognition of her rights in this respect need not blind us to the fact that our formerly important position is gradually being undermined. Peace with China at any price has been the un-announced motto of the former and present Governments, and we shall ere long reap the bitter fruits of our stupidity. In a general sense we can, of course, express sincere sympathy with the course which our principal shipping rival is pursuing, and it has our warmest wishes for its success. But we cannot overlook the loss to our own prestige involved in German action, or allow the occasion to pass without entering another protest against the policy which places us at such a disadvantage.

We cannot but feel considerable surprise at the apparent apathy which characterises the Hongkong community in the matter of telegraphic rates. No doubt it is quite true, as remarked at a recent meeting of the Chamber of Commerce, that if the companies find the increased tariff will pay them, all the remonstrances in the world will have little effect. What is wanted is a strong public movement indicative of the general determination to use the cables as seldom as possible until the obnoxious tariff be done away with, with a threat of more effective action to follow. The Chamber of Commerce talked of moving in the matter, but nothing appears as yet to have been done. The deliberations of that august body indeed are conducted with a speed—or its reverse—which defies ordinary calculations; and we therefore feel justified in asking whether some more rapid mode of letting the directors of the companies know what the general feeling is, cannot be adopted. A strongly worded protest from the entire community, if it pointed to the establishment of a competitive line, would surely have some weight with a body of men who live by, and profess to live for, the public at large. No doubt the \$2 per word tariff suits a certain number of individual residents. But, on the other hand, it has nearly doubled the cost of telegrams to mercantile firms generally and thus inverted the general order of progress in such matters. As a rule facilities of all sorts become cheaper as they are in longer use. The cable companies however are determined that the cost of telegraphing in 1876 shall exceed that charged in 1871.

We cannot but agree with a remark passed at a recent home meeting and widely echoed in the East that but one cure exists for this state of affairs. The only way in which pressure can be put upon the existing lines is by threatening competition, and the interest felt in the question is so universal that there will not be the slightest difficulty in raising funds for such a purpose. We do not of course imagine for a moment that a "please reduce your rates; now do!" addressed by the mercantile men of Hongkong to the home directors of either the China Extension, or Great Northern Companies, would have any remarkable effect. But the case may be different if the remonstrances is put in this form.—"If you elect to maintain your rates we shall do our best to induce the laying of another cable to the support of which nearly every mercantile man in and doing business with the far East will be pledged." Such a threat might have a useful effect and would probably lead to an immediate reform of rates—always provided that the Companies were satisfied that it was not mere bluff. No sensible man will grudge the companies which have acted as the pioneers of telegraphic enterprise in the far East, a full share of success if they only act in a reasonable manner. The old rates were felt to be high, but reform was only pressed in one particular: via some arrangement whereby people who desired to send two words should escape the full charge levied on those who sent twenty. The boon was granted, but on the absurd

condition that the "squeeze" should be shifted from the pockets of the few who sent short messages to those of the many who habitually sent long ones. There is a spice of meanness in the conduct of companies which after creating a demand for certain facilities, subsequently avail themselves of their existence to bleed the purses of those whose support first enabled the companies to work. We are, however, quite aware that this consideration avails nothing. The monopoly can be dealt with in only one way—by the actual establishment of, or threat to establish, a "China Merchants Telegraph line." Our leading men here will best do good by turning their attention in this direction. Bombay, Calcutta, Shanghai, Japan and Java—perhaps the Northern Settlements of Australia also,—would join in the project which has been warmly recommended by influential speakers at London, Liverpool and other home centres of trade. Even supposing the present cable lines to reduce their rates, a clear alternative line from Suez would be an immense advantage. The projected doubling of the Eastern Extension cable from Suez to Bombay would make very little difference if a large section of the mercantile communities at each port were pledged to support the new proposition. We trust that the excellent Superintendents at this and other termini, and who of course are obliged to obey instructions from head quarters irrespective of their own private opinions, will write representing the gravity of the situation. Instant concession may save their companies from a competition which, intensified as it will be by annoyance at their action, will be little short of ruinous.

THE SPIRIT OF THE MORNING PRESS.

The Press comments on the action of the Government Officials in regard to the new road eastward, and says:—"The grain of salt for this governmental hash began with a paltry \$1,500—a modest sum which none could question; \$2,000 was the next condiment necessary; \$2,500 the next, and now it is hinted that the stew will only be perfect when a large sum of money has been expended and a carriage drive the result. . . . Not only did the Colonial Secretary hint that the Council might be applied to in future for a larger sum of money, but some little anxiety was displayed about the site of St. Joseph's Church. Whether it was wisdom or not to grant a site there originally is another matter; but if the road, as the public would be made to believe, is only to be nine or ten feet wide, and crosses the nullah some distance above the Church, it is difficult to see how it can clash with it. The construction of this road has all along been strongly objected to. The community do not want it. The footpath is now in a fair way towards completion, and surely might suffice. Because a few Government officials living up the hill wish to have a drive to Happy Valley along the hillside, it seems hard that the ratepayers in these times should be called upon to find the money."

THE HONGKONG NATIVE PRESS.

The Chinese Mail comments on the firing on a pleasure boat belonging to an American merchant by the Portuguese garrison at a fort at Macao. It thinks the act is unwarrantable. It also gives the origin of the Patra Customs-station question. It says junk owners coming from the southern districts of this province pay only the barrier dues, which are comparatively trifling, but the certificates only authorize the goods to be conveyed to the provincial city, where the certificate must be delivered up and cancelled, and if the goods are intended to be transported elsewhere, another duty must be paid. If intended for Hongkong, they must pay duty according to the foreign customs tariff, but if intended for any inland ports, they must pay another barrier dues. As Macao is still considered by the Chinese to be Chinese territory, junks clearing for that port are provided with inland certificates. As there is no Chinese barrier in or near Macao, the position of the Chinese Government is anomalous. The Customs officials therefore require all junks from the south going into Macao to call at Canton to cancel the certificate, pay another duty, and then proceed to Macao. As the custom has hitherto been to sail direct from the south to Macao, the Hoppo considers that he has lost a considerable revenue, and puts in force without the slightest notice a law that is almost obsolete, hence the numerous arrests that have taken place, until trade is now nearly at a standstill. As to Hongkong, it is considered a foreign port, but as the southern part of Kwantung, whence all the junks chiefly come, is not open to foreign trade, there can be no foreign customs offices, hence nothing can be exported other than to the ports on the mainland. Therefore the junks, according to law, must put in at Canton to cancel their inland certificates and to pay duty on their goods according to the foreign Customs tariff before they can proceed to Hongkong. The Patra station is mooted to meet the wishes of the merchants, who, instead of having to make the detour to Canton, can pay what is required of them without the least inconvenience.

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Mails.

U. S. MAIL LINE.
PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA
OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING
AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE S.S. "GREAT REPUBLIC" will
leave Hongkong for San Francisco,
via Yokohama, on WEDNESDAY, the 15th
March, 1876, at 3 p.m., taking Passengers,
and Freight, for Japan, the United States,
and Europe.

Through Passenger Tickets and Bills
of Lading are issued for transportation to
Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San
Francisco, to ports in Mexico, Central and
South America, and to New York and
Europe via OVERLAND RAILWAYS.
A Steamer of the Mitsu Bishi S. S. Com-
pany will leave Shanghai, via the Inland Sea
Ports, about same date, and make close
connection at Yokohama.

At New York, Passengers have selection
of various lines of Steamers to England,
France and Germany.

Freight will be received on board until
4 p.m. 14th Proximo. Parcel Packages
will be received at the office until 5 p.m.
same day; all Parcel Packages should be
marked to address in full; value of same
is required.

For further information as to Passage
and Freight, apply to the Agency of the
Company, Praya West.

G. B. EMORY, Acting Agent.
Hongkong, February 16, 1876. mcl5



STEAM FOR

Singapore, Penang, Point de Galle,
Aden, Suez, Malta, Brindisi,
Ancona, Venice, Mediter-
ranean Ports, Southampton
and London;

Also,
Bombay, Madras, Calcutta and
Australia.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship
"COMBATANT," Captain M. M. GILSON, with
her Majesty's Mail, Passengers, Specie, and
Cargo, will leave this for the above places,
on THURSDAY, the 16th instant, at
Noon.

CARGO will be received on board until
Noon—SPECIE and PARCELS at the
Office until 2 p.m. on the 16th inst.

For particulars regarding Freight and
Passage, apply at the P. & O. S. N. Co.'s
Office, Hongkong.

CONTENTS AND VALUE OF PACKAGES
ARE REQUIRED.

A written declaration of the Contents and
Value of the Packages for the Overland Route
is required by the Egyptian Government, and
must be delivered by the Shippers to the Com-
pany's Agents with the Bills of Lading, or
with Parcels; and the Company do not hold
themselves responsible for any detention or
prejudice which may happen from incorrect-
ness on such declaration.

Shippers are particularly requested to note
the terms and conditions of the Company's
Bills of Lading.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co. reserve the
option of forwarding all Goods shipped
by their Steamers for Europe through
Egypt, either by Rail, or by Canal in their
own Steamers, or in vessels employed for
the purpose.

A. MOYER, Superintendent,
P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
Hongkong, March 3, 1876. mcl5

Occidental & Oriental Steam-
Ship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND
PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED
STATES AND EUROPE,
IN CONNECTION WITH THE
CENTRAL

and
UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING
RAILROAD COMPANIES

AND
ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S.S. "BELGIC" will be de-
parted for San Francisco, via Yoko-
hama, on SATURDAY, the 1st April,
at 3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers
for Japan, the United States and Europe.
Connection is made at Yokohama, with
Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on Board until
4 p.m. of 31st instant. Parcel Packages
will be received at the Office until 5 p.m.
same day; all Parcel Packages should be
marked to address in full; value of same
is required.

Return Passage Tickets available for 6
months are issued at a reduction of 20 per
cent. on regular rates.

For further information as to Freight
or Passage, apply to the Agency of the
Company, Praya West.

G. B. EMORY, Acting Agent.
Hongkong, March 1, 1876. apl

For Sale.

TAKASIMA COLLIERY.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.

FRESH Takasima COAL, in lots to
suit purchasers. Large Handpicked,
Dottle-creased at \$5 per Ton. Small,
at \$6 per Ton.

Apply to
T. G. GLOVER,
No. 7, Queen's Road and East Point,
Hongkong, December 3, 1875.

WASHING BOOKS.

(In English and Chinese)

WASHERMAN'S BOOKS, for the use
of Ladies and Gentlemen, are now
ready at this Office—Price \$1 each,
CHINA MAIL OFFICE.

INSURANCES.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY.

THE Underigned are prepared to grant
Policies against Fire to the extent of
\$45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored
therein, at current local rates, subject to a
Discount of 20% on the Premiums.

EDWARD NORTON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

YANG-TSZE INSURANCE ASSOCIA-
TION OF SHANGHAI.

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS, 800,000 TAELS.

POLICIES granted on Marine Risks to
all parts of the world at current rates.
This Association will, until further no-
tice, provide out of the earnings, first for
an Interest Dividend of 15% to Share-
holders on Capital, and thereafter distrib-
uted among Policy holders, annually, in
cash, ALL the Profits of the Underwriting
Business *pro rata* to amount of premiums
contributed.

RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, July 9, 1872.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL—Two Millions Sterling.

THE Underigned are prepared to grant
Policies against the Risk of FIRE on
Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on
Coals in Matched, on Goods on board
Vessels and on Hulls of Vessels in Har-
bour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.
Proposals for Life Assurances will be re-
ceived, and transmitted to the Directors
for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on
first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single
Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of pro-
posals or any other information, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.
Agents Hongkong & Canton.
Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of
China and Japan, and at Singapore,
Santon and Penang.

Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance
granted at the rates of Premium current at
the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEES.

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE
COMPANY OF MANCHESTER
AND LONDON.

THE Underigned have been appointed
Agents for the above Company at
Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai
and Hankow, and are prepared to grant
Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, October 14, 1868.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE
INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER
OF

His Majesty King George The First,
A. D. 1720.

THE Underigned having been appointed
Agents for the above Corporation are
prepared to grant Insurances as follows—

Marine Department.
Policies at current rates payable either
here, in London or at the principal Ports
of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.
Policies issued for long or short periods at
current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.

Life Department.
Policies issued for sums not exceeding
£5,000 on reasonable terms.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY.
(LIMITED.)

NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on
Marine Risks to all parts of the World.
In accordance with the Company's Articles
of Association, Two Thirds of the Profits
are distributed annually to Contributors,
whether Shareholders or not, in proportion
to the net amount of Premium contributed
by each, the remaining third being carried
to Reserve Fund.

OLYPHANT & Co.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, April 17, 1873.

YANGTSE INSURANCE ASSOCIA-
TION OF SHANGHAI.

NOTICE.

AFTER this date, the above Association
will allow a Brokerage of Thirty
three and One Third per cent. (34 1/3%) on
Local Risks only.

RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, June 3, 1874.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE
COMPANY.

THE Underigned Agents are in receipt
of instructions from the Board of
Directors authorizing them to issue Policies
to the extent of £10,000 on any one first
class risk, or to the extent of £15,000 on
adjoining risks at current rates.
A Discount of 20% allowed.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, January 3, 1876.

INSURANCES.

THE SOUTH AUSTRALIAN INSUR-
ANCE COMPANY, ADELAIDE.

CAPITAL, £500,000.

THE Underigned having been appointed
Agents for the above Company in
Hongkong, China and Japan, are prepared
to issue Policies of Marine Insurance,
payable in Australia, London, Calcutta,
Bombay, Mauritius, China and Japan at
current rates.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.
Hongkong, September 6, 1875.

VICTORIA FIRE INSURANCE COM-
PANY OF HONGKONG LIMITED,
IN LIQUIDATION.

NOTICE.

ALL Persons holding Warrants against
unclaimed Dividends, Interest, or
Bouns, are requested to present same for
payment at the Hongkong and Shanghai
Bank before the 1st April, 1876, otherwise
their claims will not be recognised.

ADOLF ANDRE,
F. D. SASSOON,
Liquidators.
Hongkong, December 20, 1875. apl

THE SCOTTISH IMPERIAL
INSURANCE CO.

THE Underigned having been appointed
Agent, in Hongkong, for the above-
named Company, is prepared to grant
Policies against FIRE, on Buildings and on
Goods to the extent of £10,000, at the
usual rates, subject to an immediate dis-
count of 20%.

Attention is invited to a considerable
reduction in Premiums for Life Insurance in
China.

Life Policies effected during the year
1875, share in the Bonus to be declared on
31st December for the quinquennial period
then ending.

A. MACG. HEATON,
Hongkong, September 27, 1875.

NORTH-BRITISH & MERCANTILE
INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and
Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1809.

CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Underigned, Agents at Hongkong
for the above Company, are prepared
to grant Policies against FIRE, to the
extent of £10,000 on any Building, or on
Merchandise in the same, at the
usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20
per cent.

GILMAN & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Underigned having been appointed
Agents for the above Company,
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